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In re Application of:

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 30, 2003, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Entry of the amendments and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections for the reasons discussed below are respectfully requested.